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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Defensive Systems Division, OSI

ATTENTION: [REDACTED]

FROM: Chief, CIA/PID (NPIC)

SUBJECT: Search for Snow Clearing Activity at Launch Complex "A,"
Sary Shagan Antimissile Test Center, USSR

REFERENCE: (a) Requirement OSI/R-33/63
(b) CIA/PID Project C 109-63

1. This memorandum is in response to your requirement dated 28 January 1963 requesting a detailed analysis of Launch Complex "A" at Sary Shagan, USSR from [REDACTED] to determine what activity and/or snow clearing was taking place.

2. A detailed analysis of Launch Complex "A" revealed that there was no evidence of activity or snow clearing in the area of Launch Pads 1-6, however, the operational SA-2 SAM site located at the southwest edge of the administration and support area does appear to be in the process of being cleared of snow. Three launch pads, one hold revetment and the inner roads connecting these items appear to have been cleared of snow. Two other launch pads appear to be partially cleared of snow. The photography was hazy with heavy snow cover.

3. The vu-graph as requested in this requirement will be forwarded under separate cover.

4. The photo analyst on this project is [REDACTED] and he may be contacted on extension [REDACTED] should you have any further questions regarding this project.

5. This project is considered to be complete.

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